## B. Claims

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A listing of all claims in the application is provided.

- 1. (Previously Presented) A porous material comprising a plurality of columnar pores and an area surrounding the pores, the area being an amorphous area containing C, Si, Ge or a combination thereof, wherein the porous material is formed on a substrate and the depth direction of the columnar pores is substantially perpendicular to the substrate.
- 2. (Original) A porous material according to claim 1, wherein the columnar pores are substantially unbranched.
- 3. (Original) A porous material according to claim 1, wherein the average interval between the centers of adjacent pores is 30 nm or less.
- 4. (Original) A porous material according to claim 1, wherein the average diameter of the columnar pores is 20 nm or less.
- 5. (Original) A porous material according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of pores have substantially the same depth direction.
- 6. (Original) A porous material according to claim 1, wherein the area contains aluminum.